Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 138

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37—Relative to the Donald E. DeMers Highway.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 37, Florez. Donald E. DeMers Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 41 in the City of Fresno as the Donald E. DeMers Highway. The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers served as the first and only Executive Director of the Fresno County Transportation Authority since 1987; and

WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of North Dakota in 1966, with a bachelor's degree in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, Donald E. DeMers earned a master's degree in Political Science and Public Administration from the University of North Dakota in 1971; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure at the Fresno County Transportation Authority, Donald E. DeMers led the effort to construct freeways on State Highway Route 41, State Highway Route 180, and State Highway Route 168: and

WHEREAS, Fresno County was one of the first counties statewide to become a self-help county, taxing itself to augment road construction throughout the county. Donald E. DeMers led the county's representation on a committee which was formed of fellow self-help counties called the Self-Help Counties coalition throughout his time with the Fresno County Transportation Authority; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby officially designates the portion of State Highway Route 41 between Jensen and Elkhorn Avenues in the City of Fresno as the "Donald E. DeMers Highway"; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.